

## One Passion, One Goal ... Raising Strong Families.



### **All children should be raised in healthy and nurturing homes, free from abuse and neglect**

The Blue Ribbon represents the need to strengthen families and provide them information and resources to prevent abuse before it occurs.

Please wear your blue ribbon to support the ideal that every child should grow up in a healthy and nurturing home.

According to Prevent Child Abuse America, when families are supported, children are less likely to be at risk for child maltreatment and more likely to grow up happy and healthy. Children do well when their parents do well. Supporting families and ensuring parents have the knowledge, skills, and resources they need are effective ways to protect children from the risk of child abuse and neglect.

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## **Wear a Blue Ribbon. Show Support for Raising Strong Families.**

The Strengthening Families Approach, developed by the Center for the Study of Social Policy, promotes five protective factors that shift the focus of prevention efforts from risks and deficits to strengths and resiliency. By employing strategies that increase protective factors, all families will be better equipped to deal with stress and diminish factors that place them at risk for abuse and neglect.



**Nurturing and Attachment** - Building a close bond helps parents better understand, respond to, and communicate with their children.



**Knowledge of Child/Youth Development** - Parents learn what to look for at each age and how to help their children reach their full potential.



**Parental Resilience** - Recognizing the signs of stress and enhancing problem-solving skills can help parents build their capacity to cope.



**Social Connections** - Parents with an extensive network of family, friends, and neighbors have better support in times of need.



**Concrete Supports for Parents** - Caregivers with access to financial, housing, and other concrete resources that help them meet their basic needs can better attend to their role as parents.

If you suspect child abuse or neglect please report, to the 24-hour report center, **1-800-922-5330**.

For information, resources or to order more materials please call Prevent Child Abuse Kansas, **1-800-CHILDREN**.